CHAPTER NO. 592

SENATE BILL NO. 2252

By Rochelle

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2889

By Rinks

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-25-204 and Section 65-25-205, relative to cable joint ventures.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-25-204(a)(2)(A), is amended by deleting the symbols, figures and word "§§ 65-25-202(3) and 65-25-231;" and by substituting instead the following:

65-25-202(3), 65-25-205(c) and 65-25-231;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-25-205(c), is amended by adding the following new sentence:

The authority to establish a cable joint venture shall not apply to areas served by any existing telephone cooperative that has been providing cable service for not less than ten (10) years under the authority of the Federal Communications Commission.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 6, 2000

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of March 2000

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